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SUBJ: PREPARATORY COMITE FOR THE CONFERENCE ON TECHNICAL

COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, JANUARY 10-14,

1977-SECOND DAY

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1. SUMMARY: FIRST PREPCOM CONTINUES AT A SNAIL'S PACE MEETING FOR 35 MINUTES ON SECOND DAY. YUGOSLAV CANDIDATE CHOSEN WITHOUT FORMAL OPPOSITION AS CHAIRMAN BUT ELECTION OF OTHER OFFICERS AGAIN POSTPONED. COMITE ADOPTED AMENDED AGENDA AND A THREE-DAY WORK PROGRAM.

2. WITH NO DEBATE AND NO FORMAL OPPOSITION (FOLLOWING WITHDRAWAL OF ARGENTINE CANDIDACY DURING CORRIDOR NEGOTIATIONS), COMITE CHOSE AS ITS CHAIRMAN DR. SLOBODAN RISTIC, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE YUGOSLAV FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION FOR INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC, EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. YUGOSLAV DELEGATE DESCRIBED RISTIC TO US DEL AS AN ASIAN GROUP CANDIDATE AND INDEED HIS NAME WAS PLACED IN NOMINATION BY INDIA. SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS DESIGNATION IS THAT YUGOSLAVIA HOPES TO SEE A EUROPEAN CHOSEN AS RAPPORTEUR.

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3. ELECTION OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BUREAU POSTPONED UNTIL WEDNESDAY. SELECTION OF A DEPUTY SYG TO MANAGE CONFERENCE REMAINS IN ABEYANCE. FYI, WEO MET EARLY TODAY TO CONSIDER A SLATE FOR THE BUREAU BUT COULD REACH NO DECISION. US DELEGATION GRACEFULLY AVOIDED PARTICIPATION, A FACT WHICH PROBABLY WAS NOTED BY THE

G-77 REPRESENTATIVES.

4. PREPCOM AGENDA ADOPTED WITH ARGENTINE AMENDMENT TO PARA 5 OF ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA (A/CONF. 79/PC/1) PROVIDING THAT THE REPORT OF THE COMITE WOULD BE MADE TO THE UNGA THROUGH THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL AND ECOSOC.

5. WORK PROGRAM FOR FIRST PREPCOM PROVIDES FOR CONSIDERATION OF ITEM 3 (CONFERENCE AGENDA) ON WEDNESDAY, ITEM 4 (CONFERENCE BUDGET) ON THURSDAY AND ITEM 5 (PREPCOM REPORT) ON FRIDAY. THERE WAS NO MEETING TUESDAY AFTERNOON (JANUARY 11) TO ALLOW SOME DELEGATES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEBATE ON THE ECOSOC WORK PROGRAM FOR 1977.

6. IN A BRIEF DISCUSSION ON ITEM 3A, FRG DELEGATE MADE GENERAL AND SUPPORTIVE STATEMENT (IN SPANISH) AND YUGOSLAVIA REQUESTED A THOROUGH CONSOLIDATION AND ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSALS ADVANCED AT THE THREE REGIONAL ECONOMIC MEETINGS ON TCDC FOR USE AT THE 2ND PREPCOM (JUNE, 1977). BOTH ALLUDED TO BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING CONFERENCE PREPARATIONS.

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